

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE OVERSIGHT, ELECTIONS, AND ETHICS

Wednesday, February 9, 2005

9:30 a.m.

Room 326 House Office Building

Representative Chris Ward, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard.

Representative Gillard moved to approve the minutes of the **February 2, 2005** meeting, **Representative Gaffney supported the** motion.

The motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid **HB 4226** before the committee.

HB 4226 Ward Legislature; ethics; lobbying by former legislators; restrict.

Representative Ward explained his bill to the committee. He also explained **Representative Gaffney's proposed (H-1) substitute** and **Representative Gaffney's proposed amendment**.

Representative Meisner spoke in support of the bill.

Bob Labrant, Senior Vice President of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, testified in support of **HB 4226**.

Rich Robinson, representing the Michigan Campaign Finance Network, submitted a testimony card in support of **HB 4226** but did not wish to speak.

Representative Gaffney moved to adopt substitute **(H-1)** to **HB 4226**, **Representative Elsenheimer** supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a **5-0-0 vote**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard.

Nays: none.

Pass: none.

Representative Gaffney offered the following amendments to **HB 4226 (H-1)**:

1. Amend page 1, line 4, after “**COMPENSATION**” by inserting “**THAT IS EQUAL TO OR EXCEEDS THE MONETARY THRESHOLD REQUIRED FOR REGISTERING AS A LOBBYIST AGENT**”.

2. Amend page 2, line 1, after “**COMPENSATION**” by inserting “**THAT IS EQUAL TO OR EXCEEDS THE MONETARY THRESHOLD REQUIRED FOR REGISTERING AS A LOBBYIST AGENT**”.

Representative Gaffney moved to adopt the amendments, **Representative Elsenheimer** supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a **5-0-0 vote**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard.

Nays: none.

Pass: none.

Representative Elsenheimer moved to report with recommendation **HB 4226** as substitute (**H-2**), **Representative Gaffney** supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a **5-0-0 vote**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard.

Nays: none.

Pass: none.

HB 4226 reported out as an (H-2), with recommendation.

With no further business to come before the committee, **the chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **10:02 a.m.**

Representative Chris Ward

Date Approved and signed

Remecia Taylor
Assistant Committee Clerk
Dave Mead
Committee Clerk
February 9, 2005
32 minutes